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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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EXPECTED TO BE THE GREATEST IN THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH --

### THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT

By the late Andrew Murray

To each believer who would fully yield himself to the leading of the Spirit, as well as to the Church as a whole, in its longings for the experience in power of all that the indwelling of the Spirit implies, the unity of the Spirit is a truth fraught with rich spiritual blessing. In previous writings I have more than once made use of the expression of Pastor Stockmayer: "Have a deep reverence for the work of the Holy Spirit within thee." That injunction needs as its complement a second one: Have a deep reverence for the work of the Holy Spirit in thy brother. This is no easy thing: even Christians, in other respects advanced, often fall here. The cause is not difficult to discover. In our books on education we are taught that the faculty of discrimination, the observing of differences, is one of the earliest to be developed in children. The power of combination, or the observing of harmony that exists amid apparent diversity, is a higher one, and comes later. As the power of classification, in its highest action, it is only found in true genius. The lesson finds most striking exemplification in the Christian life and Church. It needs little grace to know where we differ from other Christians or churches, to contend for our views, or to judge their errors in doctrine or conduct. But this indeed is grace—where amid conduct that tries or grieves us, or teaching that appears to us unscriptural or hurtful, we always give the unity of the Spirit the first place, and have faith in the power of love to maintain the living union amid outward separation.

Keep the Unity of the Spirit: such is God's command to every believer. It is the New Commandment, to love one another, in a new shape, tracing the love to the Spirit in which it has its life. If you would obey the command, note carefully that it is the Unity of the Spirit. There is a unity of creed or custom, of church or choice, in which the bond is more of the flesh than of the Spirit. Would you keep the unity of the Spirit, remember the following things:

Seek to know that in thyself in which the unity is to find its power of attachment and of victory. There is much in thee that is of self and of the flesh, and that can take part in a unity that is of this earth, but that will greatly hinder the unity of the Spirit.

Confess that it is in no power or love of thine own that thou canst love; all that is of thyself is selfish, and reaches not to the true unity of the Spirit. Be very humble in the thought that it is only what is of God in

#### BIBLE SCHOOL

The Bible Training School will begin Oct. 25, 1926. Just the next day after the close of the Assembly.

It has been reported we would have no school this winter but this is no surprise to us as every good thing is always opposed by the enemy. Of course he would like to stop this good work but it is the Lord's order and it must be filled. Get ready and be here on time. Many are writing us they will be here. Are you one of that number?

Write us early so we can make arrangements for you.

T. S. Payne, Supt.

thee that can ever unite with what appears displeasing to thyself. Be very joyful in the thought that it is only what is of God in thee that can ever unite with what appears displeasing to thyself. Be very joyful in the thought that there is indeed that in thee which can conquer self, and love even what seems unloving.

Study also to know and prize highly that in thy brother with which thou art to be united. As in thyself, so there is in him but a little beginning, a hidden seed of the Divine life, surrounded by much that is yet carnal, and often is very trying and displeasing. It needs a heart very humble in the knowledge of how unworthy thou thyself art, and very loving in the readiness to excuse thy brother—for so did Jesus in the last night: "the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak"—to look persistently at what there is in the brother of the image and Spirit of the Father.

Estimate him not by what he is in himself, but by what he is in Christ, and as thou feelest how the same life and Spirit, which thou owest to free grace, is in him too, the unity of the Spirit will triumph over the difference and dislike of the flesh. The Spirit in thee, acknowledging and meeting the spirit in thy brother, will bind thee in the unity of a life that is from above.

Keep this unity of the Spirit in the active exercise of fellowship. The bond between the members of my body is most living and real, maintained by the circulation of the blood and the life it carries. "In one Spirit we were all baptized into one Body".

Cultivate intercourse not only with those who are of one way of thinking and worshiping with thyself, lest the unity be more in the flesh than the Spirit.

Study in all thy thoughts and judgments of other believers to exercise the love that thinketh no evil.

Never say an unkind word of a child of God, as little as of

### The Christian's Hope Made Perfect

And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, if even as he is pure. 1 Jno. 3:4.

Robert Hill, Henlawson, W. Va. I was almost dumfounded when God gave me this text. Amazing is it not? I thought, how can I ever comprehend it? it is too much for me. I could never explain to the average man's reasoning how present day humanity can ever be purified and made in perfect harmony with heaven. I had noticed this text before, but had merely glanced at it and passed it by. I have never heard it used as a text, but it is God's words in plain English. Then as I began to think of high and holy heaven, God and the angles with Jesus on the Cross, I began to realize that we could not enjoy heaven without we were holy, pure and in harmony with heaven, even if we could gain heaven without perfect purity.

The burden of this text rests upon me and as I begin to write, my soul rejoices with exceeding great joy at the simplicity of the words, "purify himself even as he is pure" which heretofore seemed an impossibility, but glory to God in the highest, God has made provision for every seeming impossibility and this is just what God wants of us today, not the easy, plain, possible, bright side, but wants a people that will reach out for the things that heretofore have seemed impossible. Now let us remember that one drop of water out of Guyan River (I use the name Guyan because it is the closest river to me) is just related to the word, "reckon". I have asked folks if they were pure as the whole stream, but not as great in volume or strength. I can carry in my vest pocket a photograph of my wife which is her perfect likeness and thank God there is a little negative plate on my heart that has been cleansed and sensitized and purified with the blood of Jesus and carries a perfect likeness of the LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, so one drop of His blood is perfectly pure. Have we got it? Yes, our physical health is no more pure or normal than our blood is pure. Because the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all manner of sins and sin and impurity of the heart and purifies us even as He is pure, but what about the hope? Every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself even as he is pure. Now a Bible hope means more than just merely thinking or wishing for a thing in a doubtful state of mind for whatsoever things were written aforesight were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. Rom. 15:4.

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#### PROCLAMATION

We, the undersigned Executive Council, respectfully proclaim and set aside, Sunday, October 3d as SPECIAL PRAYER DAY.

All of the churches, members and friends are especially requested to offer up earnest prayer for the success of the Twenty-first Annual Assembly and the general welfare of all the churches, ministers, members and friends, and that the triune God will manifest His presence and power in a marvelous way. That His humble followers may receive a DIVINE revelation of His plan and purpose concerning His Church. And that all of the blood washed saints may be united in the one body, that the Father may be loved supremely, His Son exalted and the Holy Ghost honored.

Respectfully proclaimed,

F. J. Lee,  
J. S. Llewellyn,  
T. S. Payne.

### WAYS ARE MADE; GATES OPENED

The Lord is at the Helm Why Should We Fear?

F. J. Lee

I will take for a text Psalm 34:19. Many are the afflictions of the righteous; but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.

We have some examples of deliverances spoken of in Heb. 11. THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL DELIVERED FROM EGYPT. By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by dry land. RAHAB DELIVERED. By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not. DELIVERED FROM KINGDOMS, AND FROM LIONS. Who through faith subdued kingdoms, \*\*\* stopped the mouths of lions.

We know that every child of God is subject to trials, but the text says, "The Lord delivereth him out of them all." It may seem sometimes as though God had hid His face from us, but when we know that we have not sinned we should stand firm in faith. He will bring things to pass in some way some day.

Yet this one thing I learn to know,  
Each day more surely as I go,  
That doors are opened, ways are made,

Burdens are lifted or are laid,  
By some great law unseen and still. (Helen Hunt Jackson.)

Though the way may seem dark, let us continue to trust in Him who doeth all things well. Has not every reader of this article at some time in life been under a great strain or burden and could see no hope or a ray of light anywhere, yet you have often looked back over the affair that once seemed to be a great mountain or difficulty and have realized that the mountain had melted in the far distance?

Climbing the Hill

The trouble with many of us we climb the hill before we get to it.

David said, "The Lord is my rock and my deliverer. Thou art my help and my deliverer." Luke tells us that Jesus was sent to be a deliverer—Acts 7:35. He delivers individual sinners from sin. He delivers Christians from trials when the trial has worked what He has designed that it should. He delivered Peter also Paul and Silas from prison. He delivered Paul from the angry mob, false brethren also from the angry sea, as well as from the courts. Doubtless Paul wondered on many occasions whether or not this was God's time for him to quit the walks of life, but as he patiently waited it came out right somewhere along the line.

God hath a thousand keys to open a thousand doors for the deliverance of his own when it has come to the greatest ex-

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We will do our best to keep from making mistakes, but if we make a mistake we will take pleasure in correcting it if you notify us.

We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield. If nothing else, a postal card telling us to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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F. J. Lee, General Overseer, preached an interesting sermon at the Church of God Auditorium in this city, Sunday evening, Sept. 19. The Lord was present in the service in a wonderful way, the message seemed to apply in some part to all present and was much appreciated by the large audience assembled.

S. W. Latimer, Pastor of the local Church of God, and J. W. Sellers, returned Saturday from Hayesville, N. C. where they were engaged in Divine services. We are informed that much good was accomplished and that the saints are standing firm. This is the home of our esteemed Brother Glover P. Ledford, formerly of this City.

The Twenty-first Annual Assembly of the Churches of God to convene in this city, October 18-24 Inc., is expected by many to be the greatest Assembly in the history of the Church. It is predicted by some that there will be 3,000 out of town delegates in attendance. The management has no way of giving anything like an estimate on the number, however, a glorious time is expected.

The opposing council in the case Church of God vs A. J. Tomlinson et als filed a petition for a review and extension of the opinion of the court of appeals and endeavored to show that the court had overlooked the fact that their officials were already elected, to which the property could be decreed, thereupon the attorney for the Church answered the petition, the same has been held under advisement since July, so Saturday, September 18 the court handed down an opinion overruling the petition and dismissing same, which was a victory for the Church, the effect of which may be more far reaching than they had first imagined.

The sentiment and spirit expressed in the PERSONAL MESSAGE is meeting with great favor among all factions. Many expressed their desire that the same be accepted and the principles put into successful operation. We know that both the Spirit and the Word agree on the unity of the people of God. JESUS shed His blood that we all might be ONE, He prayed that we might be ONE and said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." However, some seem to very radically oppose it, as for their motive in so doing it will be necessary for them to explain. It has been intimated, however, that on account of our people being greatly in the majority that we would re-elect our own

officials. They failed to explain to their friends that it is suggested in the message that all former officials lay their resignation on the table and agree that they are to be ineligible to be voted for in the united assembly, called for the purpose of electing new officials entirely. Now, it appears to the writer and to many honest, fair minded people that unless somebody has got some personal ambition in the matter, that all should submit. We are of the firm belief that this sentiment should be crystalized and combined and made immediately active.

The orphanage solicitors, Nannie Ruth Hagewood and Vivian Haworth, returned to this City a few days ago after an extended tour of Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan, West Virginia and Virginia. We appreciate the manner in which they were received by the churches and the co-operation extended and the material help they gave to this worthy institution, which is operated for the care and training of the homeless, fatherless and motherless of our land. Surely God is a friend to these precious little ones. Surely God will doubly repay the friendly contributors to this worthy cause. The solicitors expect to remain in this City until after the convening of the Twenty-first Assembly of the Churches of God.

## THE CHILD OF HATE

The much talked of constitution adopted by the General Assembly of the Churches of God in 1921 appears to have become "The Child of Hate" among our opposers who found an opportunity to take advantage of their own acts by condemning its provisions and clouding the real issues. Now, since this undue advantage has been taken and our opposers appear to have won a temporary victory and have agitated the question to such an extent that it has caused some of our good, honest, conscientious men and women to wonder if there was something in it conflicting with the New Testament government etc. Now, as far as the writer is personally concerned I have never believed that it did amount to a departure from the original government and teaching of the Church, relying on the statement of the Former Overseer that, "We are not adopting any laws or creeds that are binding us, but only setting forth that which we have been practising for years." Now, if it has developed that his statement was not true and that we were misled in the matter I desire to place myself on record (on account of this misapprehension) I favor its repeal. I find a great number of our people feel the same way about it and are willing on account of the tender conscience of our people, to remove any further question with reference to it, all agree that there was no intention on the part of any one to change the government or teaching of the Church.

## MANY LETTERS

## OF APPROVAL

We desire to take this method of expressing our high appreciation for the noble stand taken by our people and the many letters of commendation and approval from a great number of our overseers and ministers, with reference to the situation confronting us on account of the adverse opinion of the court of appeals. We desire to express our increasing confidence in the outcome before the supreme court. Our attorneys are

Bible Training School, Oct. 25

## NOTICES

To the Churches of God in West Virginia:

As we are nearing the close of the church year that ends with the convening of the General Assembly, Oct. 18-24, I wish to express my appreciation of the faithfulness of both ministers and laymen while going through the tests which we have been subjected to, during my stay in this State. I have not been able to give each individual church the service I would have liked because of having to do some pastoral work, but I feel that I have done about the best I could under the circumstances. But most all the churches have been very well supplied with pastors, the some of the pastors have really had more than they could take care of good, but on the account of the finance it was the best we could do. Now we hope to have a large delegation from West Virginia this year, and one thing we want to ask right here and that is this: Every church be sure to see that your pastor goes to the Assembly. And every member that possibly can go with him. Everybody come. Will look for you there.—H. N. Scoggins, Overseer of W. Va.

## HOME AGAIN

Many of the dear friends we met on our Orphanage Tour during the past four months, requested us write them. As time will not permit us to write each a personal letter, we take this means of notifying them of our safe arrival in Cleveland.

We found the children of each home well and happy. We are now practicing them for the Assembly program. Hope you will be here and enjoy same.

Again we thank you for your kind hospitality to us and for the interest you are taking in the orphanage work.

May God's richest blessings rest upon you, our prayers.

Your sisters in Christ,  
Vivian M. Haworth,  
Nannie Ruth Hagewood.

very confident that the recent decision will be reversed and that the opinion of the Chancellor will be upheld, which was in our favor. At either event we see no cause for alarm as a great army of 25,000 loyal, honest hearted, God fearing, conscientious men and women standing firm can do great things, therefore at either event great victories await a loyal people.

## CLEAR OF DEBT

Some of our opposers have undertaken to make it their lot to criticize and contradict the statement made by the Editor and Publisher with reference to the publishing interests of the Church. They undertake to contradict the statement that the Publishing House was clear of debt except the common current bills for merchandise, stock etc. The statement complained at was made to the Assembly of 1923. Now, the former manager in the minutes of 1922 made certain statements as to the indebtedness on machinery etc. Now, if his statement was true I wish to again make the statement that the notes, contracts for deferred payments on intertype, press etc., were fully paid by us together with \$4,160 current bills for merchandise, stock etc., left for us to pay. Now, if the gentleman is smart enough to contradict this statement he ought to be smart enough to tell us who we owe and the amount. The Editor has never made claim that the Auditorium was paid for, the Orphanage, Bible Training School etc., but the statement did apply to the Publishing House and still applies, and when we make statements in clear English then are misunderstood by those who want to pick flaws, for this we are not responsible, but be it known to all people concerned everywhere that the statement referred to was true and correct in substance and in fact.

shall be clean, wash me and I shall be whiter than snow. Psa. 51:7.

You see our hearts and souls can not only be white as snow, but whiter than snow. You can magnify snow and detect particles of colored matter in it, but thank God, when the heart of man is washed in the blood of the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, there is nothing left but holiness and the Christian's hope made perfect. Then the fire will fall from God's heaven and we can have old time revivals with sinners slain with the power of God, but the blood must be on our souls, the Holy Ghost must surely abide, we must be able to pray thru every time we go on our knees. O God it is my will that the Holy Ghost shall glorify thee and not me. God be with you all till we meet again. Amen.

## WAYS ARE MADE, GATES ARE OPENED

(Continued from Page 1.) tremity. Let us be faithful and care for our own part, which is to do and suffer for Him, and leave it there; duties are ours, events are the Lord's. When our faith goeth forth to meddle with events, and to hold a court (if I may so speak) upon God's providence, and beginneth to say, "How wilt thou do this or that?" We lose ground. We have nothing to do there, it is our part to let the Almighty exercise his own office and steer his own helm. (Samuel Ruthford.)

God will at all times do the thing that is right, and if we do right we may expect Him to stand by us though we may not at first understand His workings or motive in certain things, but we may rest assured that, all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

God's angels open locks as easily as his sunbeams open rosebuds.—Bishop Warren.

Throwing Stones at the Gates of Heaven

Sometimes individuals pray for deliverance then again the entire Church may have to pray. One time Peter was bound in prison. He could not preach, send out literature, pray for the sick or visit conventions, he was completely handicapped, "but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him."

There is no need saying he was delivered, since every Bible reader knows that an angel came, the glory shined, chains fell off, Peter prepared to march, the gate opened and Peter knew that the whole affair was of the Lord.

This shows what the continued prayers of the church will do. Angels will become interested, ministers who have been hindered will prepare to enter the service of the Lord, the glory of God will be manifested and many gates will be opened into

new fields.

"John said If our heart condemns us not, then have we confidence toward God."

I feel that the church can pray a prayer of faith and confidence in God. I am pleased to announce the fact that the church in general has taken it on herself to pray. Many are feeling greatly relieved to be able to realize that God has the whole affair in His hands.

We have decided, as one of old has said, that God is love which ever way the wind blows.

It is not stones thrown at the enemy that will gain the victory; but as one said, "It is battering at the gates of heaven with stones of prayer."

Prayer moves things.

"Faith is the victory."

"All things are possible to them that believe."

"Trust and obey, for there is no other way."

## THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT A MESSAGE TO ALL BELIEVERS

(Continued from Page 1.) others.

Love every believer, not for the sake of what in him is in sympathy with thee or pleasing to thee, but for the sake of the Spirit of the Father which there is in him.

Give thyself expressly and of set purpose to love and labor for God's children within thy reach, who through ignorance or feebleness, or waywardness, know not that they have the Spirit, or are grieving Him. The work of the Spirit is to build up an habitation for God: yield thyself to the Spirit in thee to do the work.

Recognize thy dependence upon the fellowship of the Spirit in thy brother, and his dependence upon thee, and seek thy growth and his in the unity of love.

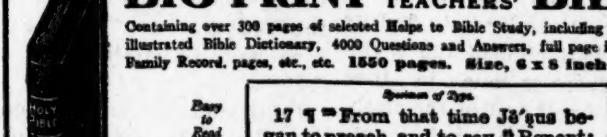
Take thy part in the united intercession that rises up to God for the unity of His Church. Take up and continue the intercession of the Great High Priest for all who believe, "that they may be one". The Church is one in the life of Christ and the love of the Spirit. It is, alas! not one in the manifested unity of the Spirit. Hence the need of the command: Keep the unity.

Plead with God for the mighty workings of His Spirit in all lands and churches and circles of believers. When the tide is low, each little pool along the shore with its inhabitants is separated from the other by a rocky barrier. As the tide rises, the barriers are flooded over, and all meet in one great ocean. So it will be with the Church of Christ. As the Spirit of God comes, according to the promise, as floods upon the dry ground, each will know the power in himself and others, and self disappear as the Spirit is known and honored.—From The Spirit of Christ.

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# BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL OCTOBER, 25.=-

## Orphanage Report

Aug. 23-Sept. 4.

M. Hanna, Youngstown, Ohio: 1 dress, 1 princess slip, 1 pr. garters, 1 fan, 1 pr. hose.

Ruth Haywood, Sesser, Ill. 3 yds. percale.

Sanitary Bakery, Cleveland, Tenn., 30 packages of Cinnamon rolls.

Blanche E. Ross, Youngstown, Ohio, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 pencil box.

Irene A. Ross, Youngstown, Ohio, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 pencil box.

### CASH REPORT

Aug. 23 to Sept. 4.

R. N. Banks, Canton, Ohio \$100; T. L. Little, Washington, N. C., \$3.00; Alex Daniel Sharron, W. Va., \$2.00; Church, Dalton, Ga., \$2.23; S. S. Cawood, Ky., \$4.26; Church, Berryton, Ga., \$3.54; Mrs. R. H. Steman, Cannon, Ga., \$3.00; Church, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., \$3.85; Church, Thorn, Miss., \$2.79; Church, Madisonville, Tenn., \$1.71; Church, Watking Tabernacle, Miss., \$0.80; J. L. Huffstutter, Dade City, Fla., \$1.26; Church, Ozon, Tenn., \$50; Church, Lando, S. C., \$2.97; Church, Joplin, Mo., \$1.45; Church, Zellwood, Fla., \$1.56; Church, Morgan-town, W. Va., \$1.25; Church, Angora, W. Va., \$4.33; Church, Omaha, Ark., \$1.55; Church, Lake Odessa, Mich., \$4.36; Church Circleville, Ohio, \$2.65; S. S. Anderson, S. C., \$1.75; S. S. Lancaster, Ohio, \$94; S. S. Dora, Ala.

Camp meeting in attendance. Brother Marks was at his best and preached some powerful sermons. He is an ideal convention man. His preaching draws and holds the crowds also stirs the devil.

The camp meeting feature is at last established in Alabama. Everybody wants Marks for the next camp meeting. We are here (Springville) in a meeting, started last night and good interest is being shown. We are expecting a hard battle here, pray for us that God will give the victory.

The revival spirit is on in Alabama. Brother Hall reports a good meeting at Crumley's Chapel. A good meeting has been held at Zion church in Randolph county. Brother I. G. Roberts reports a good meeting at Trafford, Alabama. Brother Dodd has held some good meetings near Carbon Hill, Haleyville and Helican also have had good revivals. Pratt City had the greatest meeting they have had for years. Altoona and Mt. Zion have had good revivals also many other places, many souls have prayed thru in these meetings. The big Cleveland tent has been shipped to Dora for a meeting, Roberts will hold it.

J. B. Ellis.

### SPECIAL NOTICE

While at the Church of God State Convention which convened in Middletown Ohio, the General Overseer met a party of prospective missionaries to Africa, the parties' names are as follows: Brother P. F. Barnewall and wife, Brother J. F. Carscadden and wife, Jack Carscadden, Dorris Jane Carscadden and Roy Barnewall.

These are members of the Church of God and come to us highly recommended. We are expecting to place a cut of their pictures within the Evangel at a later date.

The adult members of this party are ministers in the Church of God and should be recognized as other ministers of the same faith. I therefore as General Overseer of the Churches of God recommend them to the fellowship of any local church in the bounds of the Church of God.

We are expecting them to attend the General Assembly after which they will expect to take their departure to the foreign land.—F. J. Lee.

The Assembly programs are now ready and all who would like to have one mailed to you before the Assembly, address E. J. Boehmer, General Secretary, enclosing two cent stamp as postage for same.

### REQUESTS

Everyone please pray for my healing, if it is the Lord's will.—Mary D. McHargue, Ocoee, Fla.

Please pray for God to heal me and husband. I know the Lord has healed many times. My husband is unsaved, so pray for him to be saved.—Alice McReynolds, Box 17, Square, W. Va.

G. L. Barnes, Poplar Creek, Mississippi requests prayer that the Lord will heal his children of whooping cough also the ones that should take it later.

### Letters of Approval

Desloge, Mo.

Sept. 17, 1926.

Mr. J. S. Llewellyn,  
Dear Brother:

I wish to commend the "Personal Message" as being a fit-

ting emblem of the sincerity, which I feel you and the present Officials have from time to time expressed and shown. Indeed this is a fitting appeal at such a time as this, and carries with it the self-sacrificing spirit that we feel proud to have in our midst.

We have felt very grateful for you and the Executive Council, at a time when our confidence was shattered and we were facing bankruptcy, to have the officials come forth and rush the work on in such an efficient way as has been done.

But permit me to say, that at such a time as this to offer ones position and humiliation as is shown in you and your associates to resign, to make possible a reconciliation of such an important work as our Master's is indeed the most noble and sublime expression I feel was possible to utter, and will kindle a fire of enthusiasm for unity as though you and your associates were martyrs for the cause you represent.

Believe me sincerely yours,  
E. C. Clark.

(Below is given a letter written to J. S. Llewellyn from Brother Ellis.)

Alabama City, Ala.  
Sept. 15, 1926

Mr. J. S. Llewellyn,  
Cleveland, Tenn.  
Dear Brother:

Have just read your open letter, (Personal Message) also Brother Brooks' article on the same line, I notice also Brother Lee's and Brother Payne's endorsement of the same. Joy

filled my heart and the Spirit seemed to say, that is true, unselfish love. God bless you dear brethren, if you will follow this line you will soon see the hand of God at work. I most heartily offer my resignation as an Elder to see this unity brought about. Yea I would be willing to just be a private member to see all the different bodies of Church of God people come together and be one in Christ Jesus. Yes I endorse every word of that message.

Brother Llewellyn, I shall always admire you for this step you have taken and ask you to forgive me for some personal criticism I have given you in our correspondence. I would be glad you would publish this letter of approval in the paper. O God!

I am so sick of this wrangling and do hope and pray that our opposers will accept your proposition. Amen.

Thy Brother,  
J. B. Ellis.

NEW CHURCH SET IN ORDER WITH THIRTY-TWO MEMBERS

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ill. — We want to sound a note of praise to God for what He is doing in Illinois. An eight weeks meeting closed Aug. 29 with what seems to be sweeping victory for Jesus and His Church. Thirty were saved, thirty-five sanctified, twenty-five baptized with the Holy Ghost, thirty-two baptized in water and the Church of God set in order with thirty-two members with Mrs. Mireta Stoltz, Route 1, Clearmont, Illinois as Clerk.

We have a lot to build a church and \$500.00 to start the building with, so we expect to have a new church to worship in the near future at Chancery, Illinois.—R. A. Fielden.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
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## Testimonies

### HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST

INDEPENDENCE, Pa.—I am still praising God today for victory over sin and the devil.

I praise Him because He saw fit to pick me up out of sin and place my feet on this highway where the saints went to Rugby, fifteen miles from Fox Creek and had Him also for sanctifying me and where we found several hungry saints looking this way. From there we came back to Fox Creek where we observed the Lord's Supper and washed the saints feet at 7:30. The Lord manifested His power with us. The saints shouted and talked in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance under the power.

I have a small band of saints here at Independence still holding to the truth. Brother Fielden Hash has been our pastor, but he has quit the work on account of the little church being sold. We are worshipping in the saints' homes and the Lord is blessing in a wonderful way.

I want all to pray that we may be able to have another church in which to worship the Lord.—E. Lester Poe, Clerk.

### HEALED OF CANCER

SUMMIT, Ga.—I sent a handkerchief to Brother Rouse the first of the year to be prayed over for my mother to be healed of a cancer that was growing on her nose and I want to thank God for healing her. Praise God for His healing power and the way He heals His children who trust Him.

All who read this pray that God will help her to stand true to Him and that He will heal her of the la grippe now. Mother is seventy years old and is trusting the Lord for the healing of her body. Pray for me.—Hattie Crews.

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## DIVINE HEALING

### Healed Before Handkerchief Returned

CLEARWATER, Fla.—I want to praise the Lord for healing my baby. It was covered in sores all over and we prayed for it and sent a handkerchief to Cleveland to be prayed over and she was healed before it got back and I know it was God that healed it, for that is all we did. Praise the Lord.—Mrs. M. M. Sullivan.

### PNEUMONIA FEVER HEALED

BELMONT, N. C.—I want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel for what the dear Lord has done for me. I praise Him for saving me from a life of sin, later on He sanctified me and gave me the sweet Holy Ghost. I also want to praise Him for His healing power.

A few weeks ago while we were near Jefferson City, Tenn. my baby was taken very sick with something like pneumonia fever. She had a very high fever and lay almost lifeless from Thursday until Sunday morning when we called in some of the saints to pray for her. God gave us victory. Praise His sweet name. The fever left her in a little while and she was out in the yard playing. I know God healed her for I trusted Him all the way through and didn't give her any medicine.

I want all who read this to please pray for me to stay humble and true to Jesus.—Cordie Collier.

### INFANTILE PARALYSIS HEALED

TARPON SPRINGS, Fla.—We want to sound a note of praise through the Evangel for what the dear Lord has done for us and our thirteen months old baby. He healed her of something we supposed to be infantile paralysis. We almost had to give her up, but praise the dear Lord we sent for Brother and Sister Lonnie Hall at Branford to pray for her and the Lord came on the scene and instantly healed her, although she was near death's door. We trusted the Lord all the way through.

I ask the prayers of all the saints that we will stand true until Jesus comes or calls us home.—Owen Leigh and wife.

## OBITUARIES

### RELERFORD

On Aug. 19, 1926 the Lord called Sister Ann Releford to go live with Him. We are lonely and miss her so much, but we feel assured that she has gone to that place where Jesus said He would go and prepare for us, that where He is we might be also. Everyone who knew her loved her, for she was always loving and kind. She was a member of the Baptist Church for thirty years. In 1923 God sent Brother T. A. Sears to preach holiness and as soon as she saw the light on His Word she began walking in it. She was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, last year she joined the Church of God of which she was a loyal member until death. She testified on her deathbed, she was ready to go.

She leaves a husband, seventy-six years of age, one daughter and eight grandchildren to mourn her loss. She was laid to rest in the Washington Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Funeral services were conducted the first Sunday in September by Brother Leo Cooper, her pastor.—One who loved her, Minnie D. House.

### Healed of a Tumor

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.—I am thanking God for His healing power. I had been suffering with a tumor twenty-two years, the doctors said I would live two months without an operation, but praise the Lord, I had a little faith and wasn't operated on, but treated by several doctors, but didn't get well. Brother L. G. Rouse came to this place and the first healing service he had I went to be prayed for, I was completely healed. That has been about six months ago. The pain has never returned. Praise the Lord. About four weeks ago there was something growing in my eye. We didn't know whether it was a cancer or not. I was completely healed again. I feel I can't praise the Lord enough for what He did for me.

I praise Him for saving me, sanctifying and baptizing me with the precious Holy Ghost and a strong determination to go all the way with Jesus regardless of what the cost may be.

I desire the prayers of all the true saints of God that I may stand true until the end. I am a member of the Church of God. If any one wants to write me about healing I would be glad to tell what wonderful power God has. Praise the Lord.—Mrs. E. M. Denton, Route 6, Box 11.

### THE LORD HEALS

FLORAL CITY, Fla.—I am praising God this afternoon for the great plan of salvation. Oh, I am so glad that I can say that I am one of them. I feel the fire burning in my soul. Praise His name. He is all and all to me. He sanctified me with His precious blood and filled me with the sweet Holy Ghost and heals me when I get sick.

I had rheumatism and indigestion. Oh, how I was suffering and I told Jesus if He would heal me I would testify through the little paper that I love so well. I fell asleep and when I awoke I was well. Bless His dear name. I feel like traveling on.

Please pray for me that I may be found in the center of God's will, doing everything that would be pleasing in His sight and also pray for my son that God will save him.—Mrs. M. E. King.

### BROWN

On July 11, 1926 the dear Lord saw fit to call dear Grandma Brown to Himself. While in church that evening praising and glorifying our blessed Redeemer she very quietly passed out of this life to be with Jesus.

Not fifteen minutes before she passed away she testified to the glory of God and told us how happy she had been all day and talked to a number of sinners telling them of God's wonderful love and asking them to give their life into His keeping. There was no fear of death. She had been led by the unchanging hand of Jesus since a child and she knew He would go with her across the river that has no bridge. She leaves to mourn her loss, many relatives and friends, funeral services being conducted by Brother Moreland, Pastor of the Church of God and Reverend Ross of the M. E. church, and her body laid to rest in the Salem, West Virginia cemetery.—Mrs. P. C. Brown.

### HOLLENSEND

On the evening of July the 20th

the death angel visited the home of Brother D. P. Hollenshead and claimed for its victim his wife, Sister Jimmie Hollenshead. She was thirty-three years old, was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. She was a member of the Baptist church until she saw the light on the Church of God of which she became a member.

She leaves behind a father, mother, one brother and a host of relatives. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Horace Nance and the little body laid to rest in the Corinth Cemetery at Fyffe, Alabama.

Father and mother, weep not and be

sad,

Still on the Saviour rely;  
You shall behold them again and be  
glad,  
Beautiful flowers on high.—Jesse  
L. Wilson.

### ORNDORFF

Brother Thomas Jefferson Orndorff, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Orndorff, was born in Shenandoah County, Virginia, in the year 1842, died Aug. 3, 1926. Age eighty-four years, ten months, twenty days.

Brother Orndorff was converted, baptized, and took membership with the St. Peters Church of Pittsburg, Penn., on Sunday, Aug. 15, 1875. He lived a devoted Christian life until his death. Nearly fifty-one years, run however, during this time, he took membership with the Brethren Church, and remained a member of that Church, until June 29, 1925, when he was baptized by the writer, and took membership with the Church of God.

Everyone who knew Brother Orndorff was converted, and among this number, my children were healed of whooping cough and one sister was healed of a tumor just by giving her hand and asking prayer, another sister was healed of lung trouble. She went up for prayer and Brother Rouse just asked her if she believed Jesus was able to heal

some one closer to the Lord.

She leaves behind a father, mother, three step children, three nieces, three nephews, and a host of relatives and friends. We regret very much to give him up, but the dear Lord knows best, and doeth all things well.

The funeral service was conducted by the writer and the remains were laid at the Canada Cemetery to await the great resurrection morning.—O. W. Thomas, Pastor.

### WORK OF GOD MOVING ON

EAST LAPORT, N. C.—Brother L. G. Rouse has just closed a meeting at this place.

The great work of God is going on at this place. There was several healed, and among this number, my children were healed of whooping cough and one sister was healed of a tumor just by giving her hand and asking prayer, another sister was healed of lung trouble. She went up for prayer and Brother Rouse just asked her if she believed Jesus was able to heal

He did not touch her at all. Several others were healed of other diseases. One case especially of which I will mention. I got a letter from mother at Greenville, S. C. stating my little sister would not live long if she did not get better at once. She had whooping cough so that night when we went to pray I asked for a special prayer for her, and the next day I wrote mother and told her about us praying for her and she said they had been wondering why she had been healed all at once. I got another letter today stating she was still healed. Thank God for His wonderful healing power.

I want to thank God for having sanctified my husband and ask the prayers of all the Christian people that He might be filled with the precious Holy Ghost and added to the great Church of God. I ask the prayers of all the Christian people that I might ever do the will of the Lord.—Carrie Elrod.

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Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: \* \* \* Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things. Joel 2:15, 21.

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. Heb. 10:25.

F. J. LEE, General Overseer, In Charge